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Reconsideration of this application is requested in view of the following.

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Introduction

The Response signed June 12, 2003 by the undersigned is HEREBY WITHDRAWN in view of the Office Action dated September 8, 2003 wherein the Response was deemed non-compliant with CFR §1.173. No OG Notice was enclosed with the Office Action of September 8, 2003.

This submission is in lieu of the prior response and is believed to fully comply with CFR §1.173.

Status of Claims Pursuant to 37CFR§1.173(c)

Claims 1-8 are in their original condition as patented. They were indicated as allowed in the Office Action dated December 12, 2002.

Claims 9-54 have been cancelled.

New Claims 55-83 are presented hereinbelow.

Statement Indicating Support for the New Claims By the Specification

The new claims are supported by the specification as originally filed or properly amended during prosecution of the original patent. Support for the claims is provided generally by the specification and in more particularity as set out below.

Claims 55-83 in particular are supported by the portion of the specification provided at Col. 16, line 32 through to the start of the claims. The combination of features claimed are described largely therein. Some support may lie elsewhere in the specification.